

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF
STATE PLAN MATERIAL**

HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:

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2. STATE:

Georgia

3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL
SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR
HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE

July 1, 2000

5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One):

☐ NEW STATE PLAN☐ AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN☐ AMENDMENT

COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (Separate Transmittal for each amendment)

6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION:

Sections 1902(a)(52), 1925 and 1931 of the Act

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:

a. FFY 2000 \$ 979,051

b. FFY 2001 \$ 23,916,205

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:

Attachment 2.2-A, pp 2a & 4a
Supplement 1 to Attachment 2.6-A, pp 2, 3
Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6-A, pp 1, 2
Supplement 12 to Attachment 2.6-A, pp 1 & 29. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION
OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable):Attachment 2.6-A, pp 2a & 4a
Supplement 1 to Attachment 2.6-A, pp 2, 3
Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6-A, pp 1 & 2
Supplement 12 to Attachment 2.6-A, pp 1 & 2

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:

EXPANSION OF MEDICAID FOR PREGNANT WOMEN AND WORKING FAMILIES

11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One):

- ☒
- GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT
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- COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED
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- NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL

☐ OTHER, AS SPECIFIED:

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:

13. TYPED NAME:

Gary B. Redding

14. TITLE:

Director, Division of Medical Assistance

15. DATE SUBMITTED:

September 15, 2000

16. RETURN TO:

Georgia Department of Community Health
Division of Medical Assistance
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Atlanta, Georgia 30303-3159

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17. DATE RECEIVED:

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18. DATE APPROVED:

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PLAN APPROVED, ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:

July 1, 2000

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:

21. TYPED NAME:

Reginald A. Ramsey

22. TITLE:

Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medical Assistance

23. REMARKS:

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ATTACHMENT 2.2-A
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State: Georgia

Agency*	Citation(s)	Groups Covered
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A. Mandatory Coverage - Categorically Needy and Other Required

Special Groups (Continued)

407(b), 1902
(a) (10) (A) (i)
and 1905(m) (1)
of the Act

3. Qualified Family Members (Medicaid Only)

See Item A.10, pg 4a.

1902(a) (52) and 1925
and 1931 of the Act

4. Families terminated from Low Income Medicaid solely because of earnings, hours of employment, or loss of earned income disregards are entitled to up to twelve months of extended benefits in accordance with Section 1925 of the Act and up to twelve months of extended benefits in accordance with Section 1931 of the Act.

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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

STATE: GEORGIA

COVERAGE AND CONDITIONS OF ELIGIBILITY

Citation(s)

Groups Covered

A. Mandatory Coverage - Categorically Needy and Other Required Special Groups (Continued)

IV-A 1902(a)(10)(A)
(i)(IV) and
1902(1)(1)(A) and
(B) of the Act.

8. Pregnant women and infants under 1 year of age with family incomes up to 235 percent of the Federal poverty level who are described in Section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IV) and 1902(1)(1)(A) and (B) of the Act. The income level for this group is specified in Supplement 1 to ATTACHMENT 2.6-A.

— The State uses a percentage greater than 133 but not more than 235 percent of the Federal poverty level, as established in its State plan, State legislation, or State appropriations as of December 19, 1989.

IV-A 1902(a)(10)(A)
(i)(IV) 1902(1)(1)(c)
of the Act.

9. Children

a. who have attained 1 year of age but have not attained 6 years of age, with family incomes at or below 133 percent of the Federal poverty level.

IV-A 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)
(VII) and 1902(1)
(1)(D) of the Act.

b. born after September 30, 1983 who have attained 6 years of age but have not attained 19 years of age, with family income at or below 100 percent of the Federal poverty level.

Income levels for these groups are specified in Supplement 1 to Attachment 2.6-A.

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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

STATE: GEORGIA

INCOME ELIGIBILITY LEVELS

A. Mandatory Categorically Needy (Continued)

3. For children under Section 1902(a)(10)(i)(VI) of the Act (children who have attained age 1 but have not attained age 6), the income eligibility level is 133 percent of the Federal poverty level (as revised annually in the Federal Register) for the size family involved.
4. For children under Section 1902(a)(10)(i)(VII) of the Act (children who were born after September 30, 1983 and have attained age 6 but have not attained age 19), the income eligibility level is 100 percent of the Federal poverty level (as revised annually in the Federal Register) for the size family involved.
- 1902(a)(52) 5. Families terminated from Low Income Medicaid solely because of new or increased earnings, hours of employment, or loss of earned income disregards are entitled to up to twelve months of extended benefits in accordance with Section 1925 of the Act and up to twelve months of extended benefits in accordance with Section 1931 of the Act. The income eligibility level during the second six month extension of the second twelve months is 185 percent of the Federal poverty level (as revised annually in the Federal Register) for the size family involved.

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STATE: GEORGIA

INCOME ELIGIBILITY (Continued)

B: OPTIONAL CATEGORICALLY NEEDY GROUPS WITH INCOME
RELATED TO FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL

1. Pregnant Women and Infants

The levels for determining income eligibility for optional pregnant women and their infants under the provisions of Sections (a)(1)(A)(ii) and 1902(1)(2) of the Act are as follows:

Based on 235 percent of the official Federal income poverty level (no less than 133 percent and no more than 235 percent).

- Refer to SUPPLEMENT 8a to ATTACHMENT 2.6-A.

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TN No. 98-014

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State: GeorgiaMORE LIBERAL METHODS OF TREATING INCOME
UNDER SECTION 1902(r)(2) OF THE ACT* Section 1902(f) State X Non-Section 1902(f) State

1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IV)

The State's approved AFDC plan except no deeming of parental income is done when a pregnant woman living with her parents applies for Medicaid as a caretaker or when a pregnant woman has a spouse and they live with his parent(s).

1902(a)(10)(E)(i) and
1902(a)(10)(E)(iii)

Title II income considered as countable income in determining eligibility is based on income received rather than income entitlement if the payment is reduced to recover a previous Title II overpayment. This applies only to 1902 (a)(10)(E)(i) and 1902 (a)(10)(E)(iii) groups.

1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IV),
(VI), (VII)

The State's approved AFDC plan. Except when a parent applies for Medicaid for his or her child and the spouse of that parent is not the parent of the child, do not deem spousal income to the parent in the Medicaid budget.

1902(a)(10)(E)(i) and
1902(a)(10)(E)(iii)

The income methodologies regarding in-kind support and maintenance will not be used in the Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries and Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiaries program.

Income received from employment with the Census Bureau will not be used in the Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries and Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries programs

The SSI values for the one-third reduction (VTR) and the presumed maximum value (PMV) of support and maintenance will not be considered in determining gross and net income for Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries and Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiaries. The individual's gross income less the \$20 general income exclusion will be compared to the mandated percentage of the federal poverty limit to determine eligibility for QMB and SLMB coverage.

1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III)

The following applies to pregnant women and infants covered under Section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III) of the Act, who are defined in 1905(n)(2) of the Act.

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Effective July 1, 2000, for pregnant women and their infants, income in the amount of one dollar plus the amount of income by which 235 percent of the federal poverty level (for the size family involved as revised annually in the Federal Register) exceeds the State's AFDC standard is disregarded.

Effective November 1, 1998, for infants, income in the amount of one dollar plus the amount by which 185 percent of the federal poverty level (for the size family involved as revised annually in the Federal Register) exceeds the State's AFDC standard is disregarded.

1902(a)(10)(A)(i) (III) and
1905(n)(2)

The following applies to children covered under Section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III) of the Act, who are defined in Section of the Act.

Effective July 1, 1993, income in the amount of one dollar plus the amount of income by which 100 percent of the Federal poverty level (for the size family involved as revised annually in the Federal Register) exceeds the State's AFDC standard is disregarded.

For pregnant women, infants and children covered under Section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III) and who are defined under Section 1905(n)(2) of the Act, income received from employment with the Census Bureau is disregarded.

*More liberal methods may not result in exceeding gross income limitations under Section 1903(f).

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STATE: GEORGIA

ELIGIBILITY UNDER SECTION 1931 OF THE ACT

The State covers low-income families and children under Section 1931 of the Social Security Act.

The following groups were included in the AFDC State plan effective July 16, 1996.

- ☐ Pregnant women with no other eligible children.
- ☐ AFDC children age 18 who are full-time students in a secondary school or in the equivalent level of vocational or technical training.
- ☐ In determining eligibility for Medicaid, the Agency uses the AFDC standards and methodologies in effect as of July 16, 1996 without modification.
- ☒ In determining eligibility for Medicaid, the Agency uses the AFDC standards and methodologies in effect as of July 16, 1996 with the following modifications:
 - ☒ The Agency uses less restrictive income and/or resource methodologies than those in effect as of July 16, 1996, as follows:
 - \$4,650 exemption for one motor vehicle.
 - Disregard the value of life insurance policies.
 - Disregard the earnings of a child in school full or part-time,
 - Disregard earnings from employment with the Census Bureau.

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The income and/or resource methodologies that the less restrictive methodologies replace are as follows:

- Deduct \$1,500 from the equity value of one vehicle.
- The cash surrender value of life insurance policies is considered as a resource.
- Earned income of a child who meets the in school test is excluded from the budgeting process for six (6) months of the calendar year. For the other six (6) months, the income is counted toward the gross income ceiling test.
- Income received from employment with the Census Bureau is considered as earned income

X The Agency continues to apply the following waivers of provisions of Part A of Title IV in effect as of July 16, 1996, or submitted prior to August 22, 1996 and approved by the Secretary on or before July 1, 1997.

- Drop any prior workforce requirements and eliminate the 100-hour rule (i.e., drop the requirement that the principal wage earner in an intact family be employed less than 100 hours per month).

___ The Agency applies lower income standards which are no lower than the AFDC standards in effect on May 1, 1998, as follows:

___ The Agency applies higher income standards than those in effect as of July 16, 1996, increased by no more than the percentage increases in the CPI-U since July 16, 1996, as follows:

___ The Agency terminates medical assistance (except for certain pregnant women and children) for individuals who fail to meet TANF work requirements.

X The Agency provides Medicaid for an additional twelve (12) months to working families who become ineligible for Low Income Medicaid because of new or increased earnings of a caretaker or other adult or the expiration of the 1/3 or \$30.00 or loss of the earned income deduction.

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